
Chief Chemist Voickening, in his chemical report, gives the following table, showing a series of chemical analyses of water drawn from the laboratory tap in the last six weeks:

September 5 of water taken from various sec

MANY YACHTSMEN ROBBED.

THEFTS SO NUMEROUS THAT THEY ORGAN-

IZE FOR PROTECTION.

Many thefts have been reported recently from the

erafts lying at anchor along Gravesend Bay and

the last few days that the yachtsmen have formed a

Water Vigilance League," to try to run down th

thieves. Two days ago a patent grappling anchor

was stolen from the sloop yacht, Acorn, owned by

Commodore Morgan, of the Gravesend Bay Yach

Club, and the yacht drifted about at the mercy of

Almost every boat-owner from Dyker Beach to

Bensonhurst has been robbed of two or three small

in capturing any of the thieves, although they have frequently interrupted their depredations. A week

ago a boat was stolen from the Willowmere Hotel, I

Bay Sixteenth-st. It is not more than a month ago

that Fry's office was broken into and the safe

blown open. The thieves gained an entrance from the

water front, which led the police to believe that the

The schooner yacht Vidette late on Tuesday night

Avoca Villa, at Bath Beach, for a cruise along the bay

n hopes of catching some of the thleves. On board

the yacht with Captain Laffin were Crosble Leonard,

wher of the half-rater Ethelwynne, and Al. Reid.

owner of the yacht Florida. After cruising about

which seemed to be painted black.

As she came within view of the Gravesend Bay Yacht Club she quickened her speed, and was hailed from the Vidette, which was then within thirty-five feet of her. There was no response, but as the boat came nearer it could be seen that there were three men aboard. Captain Laffin gave chase, but the launch escand.

ut the launch escaped.

The Water Vigilance League will keep up their earch for the thieves as long as the yachts remain

NOACK AGAINST THE BROSNANS.

THE CASE OF THE CONTRACTORS FOR THE

NAVAL HOSPITAL WALL UP AGAIN.

The case of alleged conspiracy by Jeremiah M.

Brosnan, John Brosnan, Ernest Noack and Robert

McMath against the United States was taken up in

The case is in the hands of

the Federal courts before Commissioner Morle yes

had taken the contract to built a rubble wall or

the Naval Hospital grounds of stone and Rosendale

cement, attempted to defraud the Government by

emitting to use the cement. They also took pains

that the work was being done according to con-

to mislead the Government inspector into believing

tract. The deposition of only one witness, Ernest

Noack, was taken yesterday morning, and then the

celock. Noack was the sub-contractor and fur

o'clock. Noack was the sub-contractor and furnished some valuable evidence for the Government. He testified that before taking the contract he told the Brosnan brothers that he would not be able to comply with the law and use the material which they had specified. The Brosnan brothers then told him that if he wanted the contract he must obey their orders; they alone were responsible to the Government, and would take all the risk. Stlenced by these remarks, Noack proceeded to build the wall without cement, and the Brosnans endeavored to deceive the Government inspectors. Probably on next Wednesday the Brosnans will be put on the stand.

JUSTICE DICKEY ON DIVORCE LAW.

A MAN SHOULD WAIT UNTIL HE IS PROSPEROUS

Justice William D. Dickey, of the Supreme Court,

expressed his views regarding certain phases of

divorce law yesterday on an application which was

made to him for alimony and counsel fee for the de-

fendant in the suit of Dominick Randage for an ab-

solute divorce from his wife, Hangah. Counsel, in

making the application, said that Mrs. Randage de-nied the charges which her husband made against

her, and in answer set up a counter claim, in which

the alleged cruelty and inhuman treatment, and

asked for a separation. She said the plaintiff had

given \$650 to a friend, so that his wife could not get

On behalf of the plaintiff, counsel stated that

Mrs. Randage was living with her husband, and

that he was supporting her. He had been the cap-

tain of a barge belonging to the New-York Centra

Railroad Company, and his wife lived with him on

the boat. The company informed him, however, that if his wife continued certain acts of misconduct

he would be discharged. She repeated the offence

and he lost his place. Since that time he has been

living on what he could get for his building and

loan shares. He had lent the \$550 to a firm which

has since become insolvent, and he could not collect a cent. It was also alleged that his wife had been seen by an officer drunk in the street at midnight, and she had also been arrested as a disorderly regress?

and she had also been arrested apperson.

Justice Dickey said that, as Mrs. Randage was being supported by her husband, he would give her no almony, but he would allow \$50 counsel fee. Mr. Randage's counsel said that he could not pay it. Randage's counsel said that he could not pay it. "Law is a sort of luxury," said the Justice, "and a man cannot go into it without money. He must wait until he is more prosperous." The counsel for wait until he is more prosperous." The counsel for the plaintiff then said that the suit would have to be discontinued unless a smaller counsel fee was allowed.

No lawyer of respectability should be asked to

A BILL OF PARTICULARS WANTED.

The plaintiff made application to Justice Dicker

of the Supreme Court yesterday morning for a bill

of particulars in the suit of Walter W. Lawrence against Bohmer & Ronner, proprietors of the Amer

ican Theatre, in Driggs-ave., to recover \$414. Law-rence is the manager of a company playing "The

Lost Paradise," and last March he started a season

ween them and on March 19 the play was

it, and that he also held a number of shares in build

ing and loan associations.

BEFORE GOING INTO LITIGATION.

case was continued until next Wednesday at 10

men were well acquainted with the place.

boats between midnight and morning.

The river pirates became so bold within

Phosphates
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Nitrates and nitrites

Hardness B. B... Hardness A. B... Less on ignition.

tions of the city

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tal solids

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THE NEWS OF BROOKLYN.

DANGER IN THE WATER.

DR. EMERY'S REPORT SHOWS FOULNESS AT SOURCES OF SUPPLY.

HE SAYS THE WATER IS HEALTHFUL BUT THE CONDITION OF PONDS AND STREAMS IS

ING OF THE CITY MAINS

Health Commissioner Emery submitted to Mayor Wurster yesterday his report, and that of his themists and bacteriologist, on the condition of the city's water. Dr. Emery says the water seithful and safe for use by human beings. at adds that the inspection of certain sources supply shows a condition of affairs that is says, to the presence of living and decomposing vegetable material in the ponds, reservoirs and distribution system. He recommends as an im-

mediate remedy the cleaning of ponds and reser-

voirs and flushing of the city mains. In addi-

tion he recommends the establishment of an

auxiliary laboratory on the watershed. Dr. Emery says that this report is preliminary and its conclusions general. Later and detailed reports, based upon a series of analyses, will show the exact character of the water taken various sources of supply. Dr. Emery thinks the water at present is not only rains no pathogenic germs, and the cal analyses show the quality of the water to be normal, except for a superabundance of organic vegetable matter.

The physical condition of certain ponds from which water has been drawn, continues Dr Emery, is such as to favor the growth and rapid p opagation of deleterious bacteria. The ponds are excellent breeding places for germs. Emery hopes that the heavy fall rains and colder weather will check the growth of vegetable or-Systematic and continuous biological and chemical analyses, covering the various parts of the water system, he thinks, should be entered upon by the Sanitary Department, "to which such work naturally belongs and is unithis reason he wants the Department of Health be permitted to establish an auxiliary labora-

Dr. Emery first appends the joint report of Dr. E. H. Bartley, consulting chemist; William Hutchinson, assistant sanitary inspector, and George F. Rowell, assistant sanitary engineer This report is a result of an inspection of the streams on Long Island by these ton was unusually vigorous, owing to the early season, and that the vegetation was favored by an abundance of wet weather, especially in July. an unusually long period of hor ich killed much of the earlier veg or led to its being attacked by various kinds of parasitic organisms of both vegetable and animal matter. This gave to the ponds much the same odor that is noticed along the seashore when seaweed is being washed ashere. The odor is enhanced by the myriads of parasites which invest the dead material. These impart a disagreeable and even a fishy The report recommends, as the only possible remedy, that the ponds be cleaned, and that the dead weeds, grass and algae be raked out. While this is done the ponds should be

PONDS STAGNANT AND STINKING.

The investigators report of the Springfield and Valley Stream supply that they found in the nd near the railroad station a collection weeds borne down from the upper end by the nd and current. At the upper end there is an rmous quantity of a surface aquatic plant This part of the pond is swampy and practically stagnant. These weeds have the disagreeable oder noticed in the city water. Three small the Springfield road, were found United States District-Attorney James L. Bennett. to be simply vile and stinking. The surface is covered with dirt and dead decaying vegetable erganism, the whole mass in a state of rapid fermentation. The ponds are private property. In the pond at the Springfield pumping station the veretable growth was not so bad as in the other tords. The upper of the twin ponds is half extered with a slimy decomposing mass of grass and weeds, and the water contains a large quantity of bugs, larvae of insects and fish. The little pend on the north side of the Merrick Road is reported as being "simply vile." The lower end of Valley Stream pond has a layer of decompos ing vegetable matter on the bottom. pend, Smith's pond and the Hempstead pond and Hempstead reservoir were found to be in a fairly good condition. In the Millburn pond dead grass and decayed aquatic plants were found. A microscopic examination of the water showed a diatom and some snaky-looking organisms. On the bottom of the Merrick lower pond was found a coating of vegetable matter, and the water has a slightly brackish taste. The water is full of diatoms and white snaky threads. The upper Merrick pend has some vegetable matter, the campmeeting ground pond is in fairly good condition, but contamination is possible; the pond above Ridgewood has vegetation which is not generally hastate of decay, and of the two ponds west of Wautagh, the lower one is fairly clean and the upper one dirty. The vegetation in the lat-

#ablue mouldy appearance. The Massapequa 100d is in good condition. DRAINAGE INTO HORSE BROOK.

tels a sort of dry jelly or albuminous stuff which

adeveloping considerable gas. It has a covering

Ds next report submitted is that of Chief Semist G J Volckening and Bacterfologist E. # Wilson. They i spected the Hempstead feedt, otherwise known as Horse Brook. At Fulton-st the street culverts empty into the stream, and below Fulton-st, the stream appears to receive the refuse of the gashouse and the surface drainage of the private yards. The stream is sluggish, has a large amount of vegetation and foreign material, and in some parts has a thick green scum. Clear Stream pond is overgrown with vegetation, and likewise covered with a thick green scum. The twin ponds at Brookfield are in an especially bad condition, the banks being boggy and the odor carrying as far as the Merrick Road.

Dr. Wilson asserts that there has been a slight increase in the number of bacteria in the lowed. "No lawyer of respectability should be asked to defend a divorce action for less than [50," replied Justice Dickey. "The defendant has all these grievous charges to meet, and she is entitled to the means to enable her to do so. Unless Mr. Randage can pay \$50 counsel fee the action must be discontinued." supply as examined at the tap. In examinations for the weeks ending on the following dates, the average number of bacteria in a cubic centimeter of water from the tap in the laboratory is shown by the following amounts: July 11 184; July 18, 160; July 25, 222; August 1, 230; August 8, 264; August 15, 235; August 22; 302; August 29, 306; September 5, 380.

LONG NAMES AND BAD SMELLS.

The most common organisms are found to be the bacillus fluorescens liquefaciens, the bacillus aborescens and the bacillus mycolbes. Twenty Varieties of diatoms and infusoria were identified. Of the kind of diatoms that give odor immense numbers were found in water from the tap and from the reservoirs at Ridgewood. The

at the American Theatre under an agreement with sediment in the water from the west reservoir at Ridgewood has the odor called aromatic, and is composed almost entirely of astericnella and tabellaria.

Dr. W. H. Hartley and Dr. William Hutchinthe defendants. There was some disagreement be Dr. W. H. Hartiey and Dr. William Hutchinson reinspected the ponds from Springfield to Rockville Centre on Tuesday, and report that their condition was improved owing to recent rains and continued cool weather. Most of the bonds were found to be cut off from the conduit. No effort had been made yet to clean the pond, and none of the ponds or reservoirs had been deed to the ponds of the ponds. The bill of particulars asks for the details of the ponds or reservoirs had been decision.

cleaned this summer. The water in the ponds FOXHALL P. KEENE'S DAY. has risen several inches.

HIS ROCKAWAY POLO TEAM MADE SHORT WORK OF THE BUFFALO VISITORS.

GAIN TWENTY GOALS OUT OF THE TWENTY-

chloride 1.10 1.15 1.15 1.25 1.20 1.20 dium chloride 1.813 1.855 1.855 2.680 1.977 1 wo lonely white wayfarers told a tale of the crushing defeat administered to the Buffalo Country Club yesterday by the Rockaway Club, of Cedarhurst, Long men, for, after their playing of last week, it was expected that they would put up a better front against the team of which Foxhall P. Keene is the bright and The following table shows analyses made on shining light. But it was not to be. The Long Island men had everything their own way, and against a team of youngsters and did with them as story. Twenty goals against one and a quarter was pect Park Parade Grounds saw in the short space of an hour of actual play. Nothing like the team work or general excellence in polo playing has ever been seen in Brooklyn before. They are trained horsemen, and what they do not know about the fine points of the game is hardly worth knowing. The game was In both tables results are expressed in parts by weight in 100,000.

A duplicate of the report sent to the Mayor against some teams would have put up what could was sent to City Works Commissioner Willis, Professor Leeds, who is making an examination of the water supply for Mr. Willis, will report for play came at 4 o'clock, these players faced each other: Rockaway Club-J. S. Stephens, J. E. Cow din, Foxhall P. Keene and G. P. Eustis. Buffalo

Country Club-Dr. Charles Cary, Thomas Cary,

Seward Cary and H. T. Davis.

The Cedarhurst men began business right away fray, and went about goal-getting as though their He was almost everywhere at once and what few points he failed to cover were taker care of by Cowdin and the other two members of the team. In the throw-in Keene got the ball and started it at a lively pace up toward the Buffalo territory. The Buffalo men were crowding in, but Cary, by a good stroke, secured the white sphere | ing on the right is the gatekeeper's lodge, that on the for a moment, and started it the other way. He had a good chance to make a goal, but missed. As he was speeding up toward the Rockaway goal-post | designs furnished by Government engineers. the men of the latter team crowded in and took away that chance. They made short work of the ball, and in half a minute after Referee Mackey for the Buffalos. At the throw-in the ball lodged under Davis's pony. Dr. Cary jost a chance to get it out, and this was taken advantage of by Cowdin, who drove it out into the open field. Ste-Keene, however, was on hand, and turned it verly. Then Davis and Dr. Cary and Seward Eustis. Cowdin and Stephens then took it and carried it back. Stephens sending it ou t of bounds the Labor Employment Bureau. the Buffalo goal followed, in which Dr. Cary and Keene and Cowdin took a hand. Cowdin hit the ball in a back stroke, and the boy at the score

minutes and 45 seconds. third goal, which was made by Keene. The crowd began to realize by this time what a fine lot of Long Island men are. In the fourth search for the thieves as long as the yachts remain at anchor in the bay. The police have been unable to get any trace of the men who attacked Captain Samuel Williams, owner of the canalboat General Williams, lying off Bay Nineteenth-st., and robbed him of \$160, early last Thursday morning. It is now believed that the assailants belong to an organized band of thieves.

which the Buffalo men found rapid, the ball found its way up and down, principally in Buffalo's territory, but Stevens ended the agony by knocking the ball out into the open field and sending it in between the goal posts as he pleased. This meant four for Rockaway, and Buffalo began to look worfled.

The fifth goal was Cowdin's in two minutes and thirty seconds. In this goal, as well as the last, it did no good. The last goal of the period was made by Stephens in two minutes. There was a made by Stephens in two minutes. There was a hard struggle for another goal before time was called on a period and the bell rang with the ball inged, near the luffalo goal posts. There was nothing at any time reassuring for the men who live on the shores of Lake Erfe. By the official score they were a fraction of one warse off than nothing.

Everybody then rested for a while. Some of the players took a little liquid refreshment, while others went among their friends to be condoled with and to explain how it all happened. They were telling their tales of wee when the gong sounded for the second period. The Buffalo men indeed up with only a faint ray of hope. Soon they were at it again, and in one minute and forty-five seconds Dr. Carr had struck a goal. The Rockaway men looked surprised. Then they looked at each other, and said that it was all a mistake, and that it must not be allowed to happen again. It was all simple, however, for Dr. Carry had succeeded in giving the ball to himself after the throw-in, and while it "hosbed" around for a time like a cork in a stormy sea, one or two hits on the part of the other Carys pushed it right to the doctor's mallet. He hit it and away it went that Foxhall Keene made straight for a little black object in the centre of the field. He reached it and hoisted it into the air. It was his hat, He placed at upon als head firmly and looked ferce.

Entil the kell sounded for the next goal, the Buffalo men were quietly hilarlous among themselves After that the draubing continued with monotonous re

variably overtake it. The summaries of the game
FIRST PERIOD.
FIRST PERIODS
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First goal Ruffalo, Iv. Cary 1.45 Second goal Rockaway Keene 1.05 Third goal Rockaway Reede 1.15 Pourth goal Rockaway Cowdin 4.09 First goal Rockaway Keene 2.06 Seventh goal Rockaway Keene 2.00 Seventh goal Rockawa

Next Monday the Rockaway Club and the Mead-

owbrook Club will play the final championship

MISS HOYLE WILL BE MISS BAILEY Judge Hurd of the County Court yesterday gave

ermission to Agnes Jenny Hoyle to change name to Agnes Jenny Bailey after October 12, 1896. hame to Aspes Jenny Baney after October 12, 1896. The petitioner says that she is twenty-five years old, and that she lives with her mother at No. 487 Macon-st. Her mother, for the last ten years, has been the wife of John Balley, and Miss Hoyle says that during all that time Mr. Balley has expressed a patennal care, over her has treated by ercised a paternal care over her, has treated her ercised a paternal care over her, has treated her with consideration and affection, and in all respects has taken the place of her father. On account of her gratefulness and fillal regard to him she assumed his name about eight years ago, and ever since that time has been known as Missibalies. She says that she has a large circle of friends who know her as Miss Bailey, and that it would greatly embarrass her to confess that it was not her name, particularly as she is generally regarded as the child of her stepfather.

KILLED BY A FALL.

Mrs. Mary J. Conroy was accidentally killed early yesterday morning at her home, No. 773 Menroe-st., by falling down the cellar stairs. She was the wife by falling down the cellar stairs. She was the wife of Martin Conroy, an inspector in the Building De-partment of the Board of Education. She was found by members of the family lying on her back found by members of the family lying on her back at the foot of the stairs. She was fifty-five years old. The cellar door opens into the kitchen, and for a long time there have been fears that somebody would be hurt by the peculiar arrangement of the stairs. A small piece of brick was found on the stairs. A small piece of brick was found on the second step from the bottom, and it is believed that Mrs. Coursy stepped on this brick and fell that Mrs. Coursy stepped on this brick and fell backward. She was in good health and her death, according to the Coroner and the family physician, according to the Coroner and the family physician, was not due to any affection of the heart. An examination disclosed a fracture of the skuil.

A FARMER'S LOSS.

HIS CONFIDENCE IN MANKIND RESULTS IN HIS BEING BOBBED OF A YEAR'S SAVINGS.

Albert Van Dyke, a thrifty farmer, living in Mill Lane, Flatbush, was probably the saddest man in he Twenty-ninth Ward last night. A year's say ings, amounting to \$700 in cash, had been stolen unknown person from his bedroom.

Mr. Van Dyke is an old bachelor, and works fifty-eight acre farm, with the assistance of a colored man. He seems to have had implicit faith in the integrity of his neighbors and the world in general, and never locked the doors of his house. When the thief visited the house there was no on in it, and he had plenty of time to ransack the place from cellar to garret. When he looked into common wooden box standing at the head of the old farmer's bed the thief's eyes must have shone with wonder and delight, as it was packed to the top with bills of small denomination, representing

Van Dyke started from his home at 7 o'clock on Tuesday night with a load of produce for the Wallabout Market. Returning from the market Wallabout Market. Returning from the market with the money which he had received for the produce he went to his room for the purpose of placing it in the wooden box. When he raised the lid he saw that the box was empty. He went to the Twenty-third Precinct Station, and told the sergeant at the desk of the robbery. He was questioned as to whether there was anyone in the house at the time, and said that Charles Monroe, a colored boy, had been left in charge, but that he could not be found.

"Did he leave the door open" asked the sergeant.

"Leave it open" ejaculated Van Dyke; "why, I haven't turned the key in my door in twenty-five years."

Mr. Van Dyke says that hereafter he will lock his doors, and he is also disposed to get some gun-

OUICK WORK ON THE BANCROFT.

THE LITTLE CRUISER WILL BE READY TO SAIL ON TIME-WHAT HAS BEEN DONE ON BOARD.

The new Navy Yard gate at Sands-st, was opened at 9 o'clock yesterday morning and the old gate at was closed. It is understood that the order to open the new gate was received from the Depart is quite an elaborate affair, being made of wr iron and hung on marble posts. Surmounting each On each side of the gateway is a one-stor; left is for the use of the marine grards. The nev entrance was built by a local contractor from total cost was \$25,000.

The opening of the new gate, it is said, is an indication that the authorities at Washington do not agree with Commodore Sicard in his opinion about umns and declined to accept the work. The conin accordance with the specifications and design: alone were responsible. The Department appoints a Board to investigate the matter, but their report has never been made public. The York-st, gate bears a big sign lettered in crayon: "This gate closed." It will probably not be walled up at pres-The old guardhouse will hereafter be used by

It is now just a week since the Bancroft entered the drydock to be changed from a cadet-ship to a The work will practically be completed to-day, and a brief account of what has been done chanics of the yard can work.

two lighter masts set and rigged. The cadet quarters were torn out and three new coal bunkers built, with two new coalports and trunks. one of the most difficult tasks done on the ship.

put in these bunkers. The master ship-fitter, Mr. Cawthorne, long connected with Cramp, says this part of the work alone would require fifteen days in almost any shippard in ountry. But, in addition to this, the cadets' bathroom was changed to a prison, the compass play form moved from the quarter-deck to the midshipmen's bridge, the midship boats had new stowage, the main deck pumps were moved fifteen feet for-

system of electric lights and lines was put in. The fife rails were all removed from the deck and a new leadsman's piatform built.

The master joiner transferred the armory to the dispensary, and vice versa. The cadets' washroom was transformed into the paymaster's office. The pantries were entirely refitted, and five storecoms between decks form out and replaced with quarters, and the vessel fitted with new furniture. The ordnance department thorough, overhauled the main and supplementary batteries. Besides these, there were a hundred little matters which the officials in charge could not enumerate. The entire cost of the additions and alterations is about \$1,000, and it has kept about he of the most skilled workmen in the yard busy night and day, except Sunday, since the work was begun.

The officers are unanimous in saying that no vessel was ever fitted for a long sea voyage in so short a time. Speculations about the Banctoft are freely indulged in, and many of the officers intimate that the beautiful little cruiser will never float in American waters again. It is bedeved by some that she will be sold to China Others shake their heads knowingly and talk vaguely of some roundabout deal whereby the Bancroft will reach the hands of the struggling Cuban patriots and drive Spanish merchanimen from the sea. She will be ready to sall on time, and will await orders on Saturday. It is not likely, though, that she will sail before Tuesday.

The divers are still at work on the timber dry-

day.

The divers are still at work on the timber dry-dock, removing the dimagest gasket. Only a few feet can be torn off daily.

COLONEL HAYWARD IS STILL CONFINED.

THE CASE IS CLOSED AND DECISION IS RESERVED BY JUSTICE GOODRICH.

Counsel summed up before Justice Goodrich in the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon in the habeas corpus proceedings taken to secure the re-lease of Colonel William A. Hayward from the Long Island Home at Amityville, where he been confined as a paranolae. The case has been on trial for several days, Colonel Hayward contesting that he is not insone and counsel and wit-nesses on the other side arguing to the contrary. Mr. Darlington, counsel for Colonel Hayward, carefully reviewed the evidence, and said it proved to his satisfaction that Colonel Hayward had sufto his satisfaction that Colonel Hayward had sufficient ground to doubt the fidelity of his wife. She had lived with him for years, although she knew he had another wife living, and that she had no claim to consideration. Almet F. Jenks, who summed up for the respondent, gave nearly all his attention to a defence of Mrs. Hayward. He characterized the attack made upon her good name by Mr. Darlington as infamous, and said that under all rules of ethics in his profession, he should never have made it. All the papers were submitted to Justice Goodrich, who reserved his decision.

WANT THE CORPORATION DISSOLVED. Under an order issued yesterday by Justice Dickey

of the Supreme Court all persons interested in the Higgins Soap Company, which does business at No. 660 Atlantic-ave., must show cause on December 15 why an order should not be issued dissolving the corporation. The petitioners are the directors of the company-Robert D. Thompson, Heary D. Norris the company-Robert D. Thompson, Heary D. Norris and Martin H. Day. They say that money is being lost in the business, and that the stock, effects and other property of the corporation are not a reasonable security to those who deal with the company. Thompson and Norris have each \$5.990 of preferred stock and Day has \$1.50. O. common stock, the pelitioners had the same amount and Charles S. Higgins hads \$28.20.

THE FUNERAL OF BERNARD BOGAN. The funeral of Bernard Bogan, ex-Charitles Com-

nissioner, who died on Monday morning, took place yesterday forenoon at the Church of St. Charles Borromeo, at Sidney Place and Livingston-st. A number of uniformed orphan boys from St. John's Home, and a score of the inmates of St. Vincent's Home for Boys in Poplar-st., which Mr. Bogan established, attended the funeral. There were large delegations from the Diocesan Union, the Name Society and St. Vincent de Paul Society. A solemn mass of requiem was offered for the repose solemn mass of requiem was offered for the repose of the soul of the dead man, the celebrant being the Rev. Bernard M. Bogan, a nephew. Vicar-tieneral McNamara was present as the personal representative of Bishop McDonnell. Among the other priests present were the Rev. Thomas F. Ward, the Rev. Peter Quely, the Rev. Monsigner O'Connor, Fathers Taafe, O'Brien, Kieley, Finney, Dougherty and Mella. In the congregation were Congressman Hurley. James Shevlin and ex-Senator Daniel Bradley.

COUNTING THEIR CHANCES.

TWENTY-FIFTH WARD REPUBLICANS LOOKING TO THE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

ANOTHER COMPLICATION CAUSED BY WILLIAM WENTZ ENTERING THE ASSEMBLY RACE

-SHARKEY WILL FIGHT TO KEEP CONTROL.

The Twenty-fifth Ward Anti-Machine Republicans who have been temperarily read out of their party by the machine leaders were active yesterday counting their chances for gaining

favorable consideration from the Republican

General Committee's Committee on Organiza-

tion. Their fate was intrusted to the Committee on Organization on Tuesday evening by a vote of the General Committee. The most active leaders of the Twenty-fifth Ward men who are seeking reinstatement said they felt confident that their claims to justice would be heeded. The members of the Committee on Organization are known to be fair-minded men, and they have promised to consider the case on its merits, and this is all the Twenty-fifth Warders demand. Henry A. Powell is chairman of the committee, and its other members are John R. Smith, Andrew Jacobs and William E. Phillips, and as ex-officio members George H. Roberts, George T. Moon and Robert W. Fielding. The committee will meet within a few days, and will attempt to bring about a satisfactory settlement of the dispute in time to allow the petitioner to participate in the coming primaries.

It was believed yesterday that the committee would recommend some adjustment of the dispute whereby the Wassmuth-Brennan-Chambers men could take part in the primaries. If they can secure this privilege, it is probable that they will be satisfied, although they are convinced that as they are in the majority in most of the districts they should have control of the district organization. Robert A. Sharkey and his machine followers will make every effort to keep the Anti-Machine men out of the primaries, as was clearly shown by the acts and words of Mr. Sharkey and John La Grange at the meeting

the General Committee.
The situation in the Twenty-fifth Ward was complicated yesterday by the announcement that William Wentz had entered the field as a that William Wentz had entered the little candidate for the Assembly nomination. Mr. Wentz is a popular Twenty-third Warder. It is said that he will have the backing of five districts in the Twenty-third Ward, and possibly of many Twenty-fifth Ward men. He is especially strong as a compromise candidate. Edward C. Brennan, the present Assemblyman from the district, is one of the men now seeking reinstatement. He is making a vigorous canvass for the renomination, and is the favortee of the Anti-Machine voters in the Twentycanvass for the renomination, and is the favorlite of the Anti-Machine voters in the Twentyifth Ward. John La Grange is the leading
Worth candidate in the district. Other men
who have declared their willingness to take the
nomination are Arthur E. Wilson, a detective
in the employ of the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad Company; William H. Friday, who was
twice Assemblyman in the district, and Thomas
Wilson, of the Tenth District of the Twentyifth Ward. fifth Ward. TOWNS STILL EAGER TO DEBATE.

AS A COMPROMISE, HE IS WILLING TO WRESTLE WITH SHEPARD.

Mirabeau L. Towns presided last night at a meet ing, at No. 102 Court-st., of the Bryan and Sewall Campaign Club No. 1 of Kings County. The letter of Edward M. Shepard, declining to debate with Mr. Towns, was read. It has already been published, and simply says that the writer will not enter into a joint debate, but is willing to address the club, and is equally willing for Mr. Towns to answer him. This letter hurt the feelings of Mr.

Towns and his followers

A motion was made by a Mr. Dam that the club inform Mr. Shepard that it exceedingly regretted his action in "gracefully withdrawing from the disand renewed its invitation to debate with the usual limitations of time. This motion was not seconded, but the charman put it to the house, and then proceeded to argue the question from the chair. He favored the motion, and said:

'In our letter to Mr. Shepard we will express the wish that he lay all quibbles aside, and if he wants sel painted outside and inside, except the officers' quarters, which were varnished. An entire new system of electric lights and lines was put in. The fife rails were all removed from the dealers.

Colonel Richard J. Hinton called atten fact that the motion had not been seconded, and then seconded it himself. T. O. Hague, of the First Ward, moved to lay the letter on the table, on the ground that it was an evasion of the propon the ground that it was an evasion of the proposition made by the club. There were only a few votes in favor of Mr. Hague's motion, but Chairman Towns declared it carried, and then put the original motion. Chairman Towns, without making or permitting any motion, changed the wording of Mr. Dam's resolution by adding after the statement that the club regretted Mr. Shepard's letter of declination, the following words:

"Especially as it was couched in such Delphiterms as to make it uncertain whether or not he intends to accept the invitation. And we hereby most respectfully request him, being dreadfully in earnest in this matter, to state plainly and distinctly whether or not he will debate this question with the president of the Bryan and Sewall Club No. 1."

Mr. De Lacey, of the Sixth Ward, raised the point of order that the club was organized to elect Bryan and Sewall, and not to hold joint debates. Mr. Towns ruled the point out of order, and remarked.

"This club is organized not only to elect Bryan and Sewall, but to put our fingers on every political fles in sight. We are not only a campaign club but political raticathers."

After some further discussion, the motion was carried by a large majority.

"JIMMY" SAYS "SHEV" DID IT. HE IS NOT DISCOURAGED BY THE 'TURN DOWN' AND IS STILL A CANDIDATE-A FINE

EXAMPLE OF HARMONY. Ex-District-Attorney James W. Ridgway was not Ex-District-Attorney James w. Ridgway was not et all discouraged yesterday by the refusal of the Democratic General Committee to Indorse his can-didney for the Governorship. Mr. Ridgway had an explanation ready and said that his "turning down" was the work of several persons who had always been unfriendly to his interests. He credits his setback to the work of James Shevlin, who, he says, was at the door of the hall and told the delegates as they entered to vote against his indorsement Mr. Ridgway says that Mr. Shevlin had promised to deliver the Kings County vote to John Boyd Thacher. Mr. Ridgway spoke with apparent hitterness of several leading Democrats, among them Chairman Bell, of the General Committee Of Mr. Bell he said:

"The action of last night is not surprising when the fact is considered that the man who presided over the committee had repudlated the platform of the National Convention, and to-day does not know whether he is for or against Mr. Bryan."

Mr. Ridgway declares that he is still a candidate, will attend the Convention and will have his name presented. He says that the Democratic people who know him and whom he respects will do the Mr. Ridgway's friends insist that he is remarkably popular with the masses of the Democratic party, but there are those who emphatically deny this statement. His record in the trial of the election froud cases is said to be against him, and will be used to defeat him by his enemies. Mr. Ridgway says that he knew the resolution of indorsement would be defeated, but he had it presented merely to show the Democratic voters of the city how the committee is hampered in its actions by some of its so-called leaders. All of which remarks simply help to show the quality of the harmony now existing in Brooklyn's Democratic ranks. It was the universal impression yesterday, among Democratic and Republicans alike, that Mr. Bell would be allowed to continue as chairman of the Democratic General Committee, without declaring either for or against Bryan. At the committee meeting on Tuesday night it was noticed that Mr. Bell was working in harmony with Mr. York and the other leaders in guiding the affairs of the delegates. There is a feeling among the larger number of Bryan voters that Mr. Bell should be forced to swear allegiance to Bryan or to resign, but the sentiments among the subordinates in the party machine are of no avail when they are at variance with the decrees of the leaders. markably popular with the masses of the Demo

WOMAN SINGLE TAXERS STAND ALOOF. The Women's Single Tax League held a meeting on Tuesday afternoon at No. 1.188 Bedford-ave., and refused to go on record in favor of William J. favor of William J. The members of the League think it would not be proper for them to identify themselves with either political party. They say that they stand purely and simply for the propagation of the single tax idea, and that matters of National finance

have no interest to them. Brooklyn's single taxers had expected that the League would declare in favor of Bryan, and the action of the women was somewhat disappointing to them. None of the members were willing to give their consent to an indorsement of Bryan, while some of them were said to have made it known in no uncertain tones that if any indorsement were passed it would be for McKinley.

NEW CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS. THE REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE WILL

SOON BE IN THE ROTHSCHILD BUILDING.

Carpenters were busy yesterday refitting the large room on the first floor of the Rothschild Building, at Fulton and Jay sts., for the use of the Republican General Committee as campaign headquarters. The committee will have an apartment with a long frontage in Jay-st., and about twenty-five feet in Fulton-st. The entrance will be in Jay-st. The rooms will be fitted up in a day or two, and will be opened on Saturday.

Walter B. Atterbury has informed Mr. Brenner that he will accept the chairmanship of the Finance Committee, and, as soon as the headquarters are open, he will take charge of the work and give it his full attention

Two large transparencies bearing the name the National and State candidates will be placed outside the headquarters. Campaign literature will ourside the headquarters. Campaign literature will be provided in abundance, and will be distributed chiefly through the agencies of the ward committees and district associations. Timothy L. Woodruff, the nomlinee for Lieutenant-Governor, will not open separate headquarters, but will work with the county Committee. It is now expected that he will return to the city on Saturday in time to preside at the big rally which will be held at Manhattan Beach in the afternoon and evening of that day.

TO HAVE A RALLY AND FLAG-RAISING. On Wednesday evening, September 23, the Repubicans of Windsor Terrace will hold a rally under

he auspices of the McKinley and Hobart Campaign

hub. A flag-raising, a parade and a mass-meeting have already been provided for. Early in the even ng the flag will be raised at Prospect and Greenon Hall there will be a torchlight procession. At a meeting of the club held on Tuesday evening a large number of new members were enrolled, and a committee was appointed to organize a campaign NOTES FROM THE FIELD.

The Brooklyn Young Republican Club will meet this evening in the Johnston Building for the pur-pose of ratifying the Republican National and State tickets. A number of preminent members will give addresses.

C. E. Robertson, a member of the Board of Ed-ucation, has boiled the Chicago ticket and declared in favor of the Indianapolis nominees. He said yesterday that he considered the Indianapolis plat-form liberal, honest and intensely Democratic. He says he wishes to aid in the preservation of the honor and integrity of the country and the true and honest prisciples of Democracy, and will there-fore vote for Palmer and Buckner.

ASPHALT PAVING RESUMED. A FEW CONTRACTS ALREADY CERTIFIED

TO BE COMPLETED THIS YEAR

CRANFORD & CO. SATISFIED ON THE MONEY QUESTION-A NUMBER OF STREET CROSS-

INGS TO BE MADE SMOOTH. The work of laying asphalt on Brooklyn streets has been resumed on a small scale, but there is no prospect that much will be done during the remainder of the year. It happens that there are fore the recent financial stringency came upon the

igat contracts which were made and certified becontractor was not willing to proceed with them money without too much delay. That assurance nas now been forthcoming, and the contracts in question will be finished before cold weather sets in. Before bonds can be disposed of and the treasury replenished it will be too late, probably, to undertake any more work this year, although there are outstanding a large number of uncertified contracts and in a still greater number of cases bids for work have been received and the contracts not yet The eight contracts of which mention has

made were all awarded to Cranford & Co., and they have begun work on Hancock-st., between Reld and The new asphalt here will cover two blocks and will make a smooth pavement on that a distance of nine long blocks. The other contracts which Cranford & Co. have are as follows: Grandave., between Putnam-ave, and Gates-ave.; Gates-ave., between Waverley-ave, and St. James Place; Decatur-st., between Throop-ave, and Sumner-ave. Decatur-st., between Stuyvesant-ave, and Sumnerave.; Prospect Place, between Nostrand-ave, and New-York-ave., and Monitor-st., between Van Peltave, and Nassau-ave.

In many respects the most important of these pieces of work will be the extension of the asphalt payement on Gates-ave, to St. James Place, Among the contracts which have not reached so advanced a stage are two which will complete the repaying of this avenue as far east as Bedford-ave., thus providing an essential link in another smooth route between the lower part of the city and the Bedford section, which so many people have long desired. But that work will have to wait until next year now, though under ordinary circumstances it would To complete this smooth route all the way it will be necessary to repaye Greene-ave, between ave, and Fulton-st. These five blocks were to be saved with vitrified brick, but, after the experience f the people of McDonough-st. with brick, the Greene-ave, property-owners became alarmed, and asphalt payement instead. That is, the proceedings have been begun, but a balt has been called in this

as in many other like undertakings.
As for McDonough-st, it has been decided to tear up the brick payement, about which so many complaints have been made because of its noisi ness, and replace it with asphalt as soon as the property-owners have paid in their assessments for the brick pavement. The last report made to the City Works Department showed that about onethird of the amount due had been received by the Tax Collector, and it is presumed that this work will be taken in hand early next year.

It is gratifying to know that a large number of street intersections where the asphalt pavements are broken by cross streets that have not been repaved are soon to be improved. Many of these are railroad streets, and it has required considerable effort to induce the railroad companies some of them at all events-to do the paving between their tracks. The Nassau Company has finally agreed do this in a number of cases, and it will pave with asphalt its tracks at the following intersections: Schermerhorn-st, and Boerum Place, State-

tions: Schermerhorn-st, and Boerum Place, Statest, and Boerum Place, Bergen-st, and Sixth-ave., Flatbush-ave and Bergen-st, St. Mark's and Rogers aves. Sackett and Henry sts., Marcy-ave, and South Ninth-st. There are several intersections on Seventh-ave, which it has also agreed to repave, but that work vill be done in connection with the asphalting of the streets themselves.

The De Kailb Avenue Company has agreed to repave the crossings at Jefferson and Franklin aves., Gates and Franklin aves and De Kailb-ave, and Ryerson-st. The Brooklyn Heights Company will look after these crossings: Schermerhorn-st, and Third-ave., Nostrand-ave, and Third-ave, Nostrand-ave, and Sumner-ave, Jefferson-ave, and Montand-ave, and Dean-st. Nostrand-ave, and Herkimer-st., Hancock-st. and Sumner-ave. Jefferson-ave and Sumner-ave, Jefferson-ave, and Nostrand-ave. South Ninth-st, and Roebling-st.

All this work will be greatly appreciated by the wheelmen of the city. One of the new thorough-fares used by them is Jefferson-ave, between Throop and Bedford aves, on which there are now two very poor crossings. One of them, at Nostrand-ave, is included in the list just given. The other, at Tompkins-ave, will be improved when that avenue is repaved with granite between Lafayette-ave, and McDonough-st.

MORE BOOKS SEEM ASSURED. The entertainment which is to be given in aid of

the New-Utrecht Free Library at the Avoca Villa, Bath Beach, on Wednesday evening, September 23, judging from the present indications, will be a suess. All the social leaders in Bath Beach and Bensonhurst are interested in its welfare. The object of the entertainment is to help along the treasury fund so that more new books may be purchased. The women who will serve as patronesses to the affair are Mrs. R. H. Sherwood, Mrs. A. Van Brunt Voorhees, Mrs. Peter Bogert, Mrs. Townsend C. Van Pelt, Mrs. J. V. Van Pelt, Mrs. F. B. Opper, Mrs. L. G. Carman, Mrs. Edwin S. Ives, Mrs. F. C. De Mund, Mrs. Archibald Young, Mrs. John F. Berry, Mrs. Jeremiah Lott, Mrs. A. Hegeman, Mrs. M. L. Bennett, Mrs. P. Hegeman, Mrs. M. L. Van Pelt, Mrs. J. C. Moore, Mrs. J. M. Edsail, Mrs. C. B.